



## Kansas

### Walker Air-to-Ground Gunnery Range

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#### ***Facility and Location***

Walker Air-to-Ground (ATG) Gunnery Range (GR) was originally acquired in 1943 for use with Smoky Hill, Great Bend, and McCook (Nebraska) Army Airfields. Walker ATG GR is located less than one mile southeast of Beller, Kansas in Ness County. The ATG GR was three miles wide by six miles long in an east-west configuration and used strictly for target machine gun firing by heavy bombers. DoD personnel conducted machine gun practice from bomber aircraft toward wood frame and canvas covered targets located on ridges and flat pastures.

The installation was declared surplus on December 17, 1945. The FUDS land is currently owned by private landowners and used primarily as grassland for cattle. Small portions of the site are used for farming of crops and oil production. Based on the Site Investigation, further investigation or removal action is not required, and a recommendation for No DoD Action Indicated is made for the ATG GR Munitions Response Site with respect to both munitions and explosives of concern and munitions constituents.

#### ***Media Sampled and Findings***

**Groundwater** — In 2010, four of four samples detected perchlorate from 0.02 to 0.44 ppb.

#### ***Appropriate Actions***

Not Applicable. All samples were below the EPA and DoD Preliminary Remediation Goal of 15 ppb.